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SUBJ: GUATEMALA RELIEF: REQUEST FOR U.S. AIRLIFT SUPPORT

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1. GUATEMALAN AMBASSADOR TO SPAIN HAS ASKED AMBASSADOR TO REQUEST USAF AIRLIFT ASSISTANCE TO TRANSPORT APPROXIMATELY 12 TONS OF MEDICAL SUPPLIES, TENTS, AND OTHER EMERGENCY RELIEF GOODS FROM SPAIN TO GUATEMALA. AMCONGEN BARCELONA HAS ALSO RECEIVED REQUEST FROM GUATEMALAN CONSUL GENERAL FOR ASSISTANCE IN AIRLIFTING SOME 30 TONS OF RELIEF GOODS TO GUATEMALA.

2. EMBASSY WAS NOT ON DISTRIBUTION FOR STATE TELEGRAM (021508Z FEB 76), WHICH WE UNDERSTAND ESTABLISHED EMERGENCY RELIEF SUPPLY AIRLIFT POLICY AND SPECIFICALLY REQUIRES UNCLASSIFIED

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STATE'S VALIDATION AND APPROVAL FOR SHIPMENT OF ALL

LOCALLY COLLECTED RELIEF MATERIAL FOR GUATEMALA PRIOR
TO ASKING DOD FOR AIRLIFT SUPPORT. THEREFORE,
EMBASSY DOES NOT HAVE GENERAL GUIDANCE THERE PROVIDED.

3. EMBASSY HOPES US GOVERNMENT CAN BE FORTHCOMING WITH
REGARD TO THE GUATEMALAN REQUEST. SOME RELIEF MATERIALS ARE
BEING SHIPPED TO GUATEMALA VIA IBERIA AT A REDUCED FREIGHT
RATE. EVEN THE REDUCED RATE IS, HOWEVER, HIGH ENOUGH
TO MAKE SHIPMENT OF THE AMOUNTS INVOLVED VERY EXPENSIVE
FOR THE GUATEMALAN GOVERNMENT UNDER THE PRESENT
CIRCUMSTANCES.
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